

Wastewater Management Commission (WWMC)

Meeting minutes – MARCH 16, 2009

(Approved by WWMC on April 6, 2009)

Meeting time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Tiverton Community Center

Members present: Chris Nearpass, Don Wilbur, John Christo, Steve York, Colleen Stanton, & Leroy Kendricks

Also in attendance: John Lincourt: (WWS) Wastewater Superintendent
Mr. John Martin - Tiverton resident

1. The minutes of the March 2, 2009 meeting as recorded by the Secretary of the Commission was unanimously approved on a motion by Chris Nearpass and 2nd by Colleen Stanton.

2. On-Site Issues – Implementation of the On-site Wastewater Management Program:

(1) **Stafford Pond & Nanaquaket Pond Watershed** – John Lincourt submitted up-dated statistics on the on-going inspection program for both of these watershed areas. To date, 80% of the Stafford Pond residents and 34 % of the Nanaquaket residents have responded to the inspection notifications. Thus far 16 septic systems failed in the Stafford Pond area. Only 3 have been repaired. The WWMC requested John Lincourt to notify the president of the Stafford Pond Association to meet with the WWMC to address the failed septic systems issue. Also, John Lincourt will mail 41 non-compliance letters to residents of Stafford Pond.

3. Sewer Projects:

Ponta Pump Station

John Lincourt reported he would submit a bill to the Ponta Club for the past excessive usage that has occurred. He will also look into the present lease, which is up in November 2009. There is concern about the extension / transfer of this lease if the Ponta Club is sold.

Watuppa Plantations/Countryview Estates: - John Lincourt reported that the Planning Board has approved the development plan.

Bourne Mill – John Lincourt reported that sewer line work will start up again and that he will be present during the sewer line testing.

Mount Hope Interceptor – On March 5, 2009 an on-site inspection of the existing flow meter on Foote Street was conducted by Leroy Kendricks, John Lincourt, Andy Ross (Starwood) and a representative of the new proposed flow meter. The present plan is to calibrate the existing flowmeter to collect operational data to determine the need for a new metering system.

\$ 100,000 CDBG Grant – Discussion was held concerning the use of these funds. It was finally agreed by the WWMC members (no-vote) that these funds be used as follows:

- (1) Complete the sewer line on Canonicus St up to Main Rd with patchwork paving.
- (2) Acquire engineering services for design of sewer lines in the Shove Street area with the objective of connecting to the Bourne Mill Pump Station.

4. Long Range Planning – Leroy Kendricks reported that he had conversations with the Town Administrator, Summerfield residents and RIDEM personnel to provide support to the residents of Summerfield Lane to acquire funds to install a sewer line to connect to the main interceptor. This issue will be looked into further. No vote taken on this topic.

5. Financial Report:

- John Lincourt reported on the On-Site and WWMC financial expenditures. John Lincourt will take action to transfer some funds from WWMC capital equipment account to pay the increase expenses on the pump station account. He will also correct the On-Site personnel service line items that are above the budgeted amount.

6. Public Education: - Nothing to report

7. Documentation & Procedures:

- John Lincourt submitted his proposed changes to Tiverton's Ordinance; section 18-9.8 Miscellaneous Regulations for OWTS Operations, and Maintenance. The changes were in particular to Cesspools. The WWMC agreed that some changes are necessary due to the latest R.I. regulations and the present overall economic climate. No- vote was taken. The WWMC requested John Lincourt to modify his proposed changes from comments during the meeting and submit a copy to the members prior to the next meeting. This issue will be addressed at the next WWMC meeting. Mr. Martin also expressed his opinion and concerns on this issue with regards to the sale of property.

- John Lincourt has received as-built drawings for the Mount Hope Bay Interceptor.

8.General Administration – Nothing to report.

9. A motion to adjourn (7:21 PM) was made by Chris Nearpass and 2nd by Steve York passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting date is scheduled for April 6, 2009, 5:00PM at Tiverton Community Center.

Submitted by:

John S. Christo

Secretary WWMC